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Art Unit: 3621

Serial No.: 09/170,864

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Docket No. TI-25667

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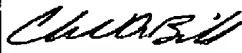
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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW FINALITY OF REJECTION**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.181**

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner to withdraw the finality of the rejection mailed 20 February 2004 in the above-referenced application.

Section 706.07(a) of the MPEP states, "a second or any subsequent action on the merits in any application . . . will not be made final if it includes a rejection, on newly cited art, other than information submitted in an information disclosure statement . . . of any claim not amended by applicant or patent owner . . . ."

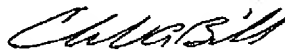
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Thus, as the applicant did not amend the claims or file an information disclosure statement, and the new rejection is admitted to be a new ground of rejection based on newly discovered art found in yet another search by the Examiner, the finality of the rejection is improper and should be withdrawn.

The applicant has requested that the Examiner withdraw the finality of the rejection, but the Examiner has not done so. Therefore the applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner to withdraw the finality of the rejection.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Deposit Account No. 20-0668 for any necessary fees, including any necessary extension of time fees. **This form is submitted in triplicate.**

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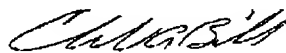
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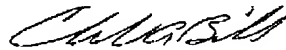
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